BENJAMIN GIBBS.

JANUARY 3, 1832.

Mr. NUCKOLLS, from the Committee on Revolutionary Claims, made the following

REPORT:

The Committee on Revolutionary Claims, to whom was referred the application of Benjamin Gibbs, beg leave to report:

That, at the last session of Congress, when this case was referred to the Committee on Revolutionary Claims, a favorable report was made thereon, to which this committee refer, and adopt as their own.

The Committee on Revolutionary Claims, to which was referred the petition of Benjamin Gibbs, submitted the following report:

It appears, in this case, that the petitioner was the innocent purchaser of a final settlement certificate, dated "State of New York, January 20, 1784," and signed by "John Pierce, Commissioner," purporting to be for "four hundred" dollars, payable, with interest, at six per cent. from the first day of January, 1783, to David Johnson, or bearer; that the petitioner sold the same to one David Rice, and said Rice to one Simmes; that it was presented at the Treasury Department, and there pronounced to be a counterfeit or altered certificate, having been originally issued for twenty-five dollars and sixty-two ninetieths, instead of four hundred dollars; that the petitioner, after a protracted lawsuit with Rice, was obliged to take back said certificate; and that Berry, of whom he purchased, was insolvent, and that he has lost the whole amount; whereupon, the petitioner prays that he may be paid the amount for which said certificate originally issued, and the interest thereon, the same never having been paid by the Government; which prayer the committee consider reasonable, and that it ought to be granted; and report a bill for that purpose.

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